

# Light and Serious Things in Society

## Plans for Winter Sports Are Extensive This Year

Bogobganning, Ice Boating, Skating and Similar Activities Will Reign in Northern Mountain Resorts—Sixty Yachts to Be in Commission in Southern Waters.

WHILE a matron of social eminence was hostess in her parterre box in the Metropolitan at one of last week's performances her husband, one of the best known of American yachtsmen, was elsewhere engaged in commissioning his power yacht for use in Florida waters a few weeks hence.

A few boxes away two men, upon whose shoulders fall the responsibilities of working out the business and sporting details of one of the established club colonies near New York, were in conference over the extension of ice boating and the erection of a new toboggan slide.

These two items illustrate not only the broad uses to which owners and lessees of parterre boxes place their valuable holdings, but also the extent of the New York society toward midwinter prospects.

Many important developments that have affected both business and social life have originated in the seclusion of the broadened ante rooms of the parterre boxes in the Metropolitan. Partnerships have been formed here. Directors' meetings have been held there. The futures of noted family dynasties have been decided in romantic moments in that carefully governed semi-circle of boxes, and the social hopes of well based ambitions have been clinched in one night in one of those thirty-five boxes. The parterre row is still a great fashionable fulcrum and business and professional touchstone.

### Parterre Circle Also a Convenient Club.

The parterre row also is one of New York's most convenient clubs, as a system upon which the personnel of that part of the opera house audience is formed is based upon the same sort of social ethics that go to build up club memberships and maintain the best club standards.

The one hundred or more debutantes who dominate the first weeks of the winter, until the Christmas holidays or early January mark them "arrived," need not fear that those similar but widely spaced contracts on the part of the yachtsman and the two country club governors last week in the parterre row will tone down the color of their own winter weeks.

Those three men are types of others who are working out the details of two vastly different chapters of midwinter American life—one on the ice and the other on the water. The one is the alluring indolence of Juneteenth in the South. The other is the bustling activity of the North and the other on the water.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael M. Van Beuren will start for their southern home in Miami at the end of the year. They will have their 197 foot power yacht Hibiscus in commission. They used the yacht in Long Island Sound last summer. Like her late father, John D. Archibald, Mrs. Van Beuren is devoted to yachting.

Mr. Horatio Seymour Shonnard will cruise in the South this winter on board his schooner yacht, Sonoma. Mr. Louis Gordon Hamersley will have his power yacht Sindhav in commission in Florida waters, and Mr. Harry Payne Bingham the Quetta.

The society of yachting is as broad as the country that supports the sport and much like the midwinter social fellowship of the Florida resorts made up of the society of a hundred cities. Thus cities other than New York will help swell the fleet of privately owned craft in Southern waters as soon as the frost of the North makes the June like comfort of the American Riviera the more alluring.

Mr. T. H. Symington of Oyster Bay will use his yacht Harmony and Mr. Henry W. Savage of New York has the 77 foot yacht Dorinda in commission. Mr. H. L. Judd who has a place at Tampa will use his 80 foot yacht Florence J. II, which was built for him last year. Mr. Max C. Fleischman has recently had a 57 foot yacht named Whirlwind built. While on its way to the Pacific coast the yacht will make the winter cruise in the southern ports. Mr. Clendenen Eckert of New York has in commission for the 70 footer Cherie in commission for use in the South.

Mr. James Deering of Chicago has opened his place at Coconut Grove and has the Neptune in commission. This yacht is 80 feet long and is used by Mr. Deering and his guests constantly.

Mr. John Wanamaker has spent several seasons in the South and has again chartered the houseboat Conewago. He also owns the smaller houseboat Sarmala, also in commission. The Conewago is 100 feet long and last summer was used on the St. Lawrence.

Mr. William Larimer Mellon of Pittsburgh has the Vagabondia in commission for his use in the South. This yacht is 129 feet long. Like other craft of her type Vagabondia will visit many harbors.

Mr. Keith Spaulding of Chicago and his wife, Mrs. Keith Spaulding, have had an auxiliary schooner 161 feet long built. The craft will be commissioned next month. This yacht, named Goodwill, will at once start for a southern cruise visiting southern ports and some of the West Indies with Mr. Spaulding and guests on board. Later it will go to the Pacific and then make a cruise around the world.

Mr. Van Lear Black of Baltimore will cruise to Bermuda and southern ports this winter in the 140 foot yacht Sabalo, which he purchased from Mr. William Earl Dodge. Mr. Black has had heavy oil engines substituted for high powered gasoline engines. The Sabalo has been used by Mr. Black for cruises between Baltimore and New York. He has made the trip in thirty-six hours.

Mr. William J. Matheson, who was a member of Mr. and Mrs. James's yacht on last winter's world cruise, will join the Coconut Grove colony where he has a house. He will be in commission his houseboat, which is very similar to the Lanai a few feet shorter.

Mrs. Frederick C. Havemeyer has her plans to join the colony in Miami and has chartered for the season the new 100 foot power houseboat.

## Quartet of Pretty Debutantes and One of the Recent Brides



MISS ELISE SCHREIBER, DEBUTANTE DAUGHTER OF MR. and MRS. OTTO A. SCHREIBER. Photo by Charlotte Fairchild

MISS KATHARINE A. DUER, DAUGHTER OF MR. and MRS. ALEXANDER DUER. © G. M. KESSLER

## Even Thanksgiving Has Its Share of Debutante Affairs

### Every Available Moment in Short Season Utilized for Young Women.

SO much will be done this week for debutantes that the time honored festival of Thanksgiving, for generations restricted to family affairs, will be turned over to general gatherings. Such a change from old time convention is due, of course, to the great number of girls to be formally introduced to society in a brief season.

Mrs. Bayard Dominick is giving a tea to-morrow for her granddaughter, Miss Helen Smith. Tuesday there will be luncheons for two debutantes. Mrs. John Magee Ellsworth will give one at the Colony Club to introduce her second daughter, Miss Matilda Coster Ellsworth. The other luncheon of that day is to be given by Mrs. Milton J. Budlong for her debutante daughter, Miss Frances W. Budlong. It will be out of the ordinary as the dishes all will be prepared by a Hawaiian chef.

The day before Thanksgiving will be busy with entertainments. Mrs. H. Edw. Manville is giving at 125 East Seventy-second street a large luncheon party for Miss Louise Vandell Barber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donn Barber, and Miss Marie Brooke, daughter of Lieutenant-Commander and Mrs. B. Hayes Brooke. Later in the day Mrs. Albert Stern will introduce her daughter, Miss Olivia Stern, at a tea dance held with artistic surroundings at Parge House, the new home of Mr. Frederic Stern at 1304 East Sixty-fifth street. There will be two dances Wednesday night which will keep all the debutantes on the go. Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt will give at 666 Fifth avenue a dinner and dance for her young relative, Miss Cathleen Vanderbilt, who went to Newport for the becoming of age celebration of her cousin, Mr. William H. Vanderbilt. The dance guests will number many friends and relatives of the debutante for whom, later on, her mother, Mrs. Sydney J. Colford, Jr., will give a dance. Shortly after the new year Mr. Reginald C. Vanderbilt will give a dance for his daughter, Miss Cathleen Vanderbilt.

The other dance of Wednesday night will be given by Mr. and Mrs. W. de Forest Wright of 525 Park avenue, when they will formally introduce their daughter, Miss Emily W. Wright, at the Ritz-Carlton. Preparatory schools and colleges will be closed for the holiday and therefore there will be plenty of partners for each and every dance.

On the night of Thanksgiving Day one of the largest dances of the season will be given in the grand ballroom suite of the Plaza by Mrs. Don Morison to introduce her granddaughter, Miss Adele Kelley, only daughter of Mrs. Albert Tevis Kelley. The dance is being given by Mrs. Morison, as Mrs. Kelley is in mourning.

One of the preliminaries of this dance will be the reception which Mr. and Mrs. D. Thomas Moore, 53 East Seventy-eighth street are holding in the ballroom suite of the Ritz-Carlton to introduce their daughter, Miss Mary Moore. Friday will be marked by the large dance to be given in the Ritz-Carlton ball room suite by Mr. and Mrs. Hermann C. Schwab for the latter's sister, Miss Sybil Bliss, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Phelps Bliss and a sister of Miss Katharine B. Bliss, whose engagement to Mr. Hermann D. Boker was announced ten days ago. Miss Bliss is being introduced by her sister as her mother is in mourning this winter. In advance of the dance, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Gantry will give in the Crystal Room, a dinner for several of their second daughter, Miss Beatrice Gantry, a debutante, later taking their dinner guests to the dance for Miss Bliss.

Mrs. Clarence Bishop Smith, of 123 East Sixty-fifth street, is giving a



MISS MARIE BROOKE, DEBUTANTE DAUGHTER OF COMMANDER and MRS. B. HAYES BROOKE. © G. M. KESSLER

### FOR ARMY RELIEF SOCIETY.

An entertainment consisting of a concert with dancing and bridge will be given for the benefit of the Army Relief Society at the Officers' Club at Governor's Island next Saturday afternoon. The patronesses are: Mrs. Henry Hirschopf, Miss Grace Bigelow, Mrs. Franklin Q. Brown, Mrs. Glenworth R. Butler, Mrs. Edwin H. Denby, Mrs. William Howard Good, Mrs. William A. Jamison, Miss Elizabeth K. Lamont, Mrs. George Leary, Mrs. Theodore H. Price, Mrs. Henry L. Stimson and Mrs. Ernest M. Stires.

### HELP FOR CAMP FIRE GIRLS.

A bridge has been arranged by Mrs. Oliver Harriman, president of the Camp Fire Girls, to be held at the Ritz-Carlton on the afternoon of December 7, to raise funds for the national Camp Fire work. Mrs. Harriman is being assisted by Mrs. T. J. Oakley Rhinlander, vice-president of the organization. Mrs. Samuel Strait and Mrs. George D. F. Leith, Camp Fire girls wearing coronation gowns and head-dresses will usher guests to their tables. Seventy-five tables are being arranged.

## Lafayette Guild to Give Flower Hospital Benefit

A benefit dance will be given by the Lafayette Guild of Flower Hospital in the Plaza Hotel December 15 to help toward meeting the expenses of the maternity and children's wards of the hospital, as well as to assist in its social service and to augment the general fund.

Mrs. Henry F. Tideman is chairman of the entertainment committee which includes Mrs. Sterling S. Beardsley, Mrs. William T. Dewart, Mrs. William Francis Honan, Mrs. William H. Hulick, Mrs. Louis H. Huot, Mrs. E. W. Knowles, Mrs. J. Wideman Lee, Mrs. William V. Logan, Mrs. Benjamin Manowith, Mrs. James A. Moffet, Jr., Mrs. Edmonds Putney, Mrs. W. B. Putney, Mrs. Hudson P. Rose, Mrs. E. R. Tinker, Mrs. C. E. Van Vleet and Mrs. M. Weber.

## Seventh Regiment Will Give a 'Sheik's Ball'

Members of the Seventh Regiment will open their social season in the Park Avenue Armory on Thanksgiving eve, when Company M (machine gun) will give a "Sheik's Ball." This novelty in the social activities of the Seventh was suggested by Capt. Ralph C. Tobin.

The veterans' room has assumed the appearance of a "Sheik's" den. The entrance is decorated to represent the walls of an Arabian city. The decorations and the various novelties for the ball were arranged by a committee composed of Capt. Ralph C. Tobin, Messrs. Edward J. Cumisky, Robert C. Black and Edward D. Hill, Lieut. K. C. Kallher, Lieut. Donald C. Seely and Mr. William J. McNamara. The ball by the machine gun company is to be only a forerunner of one of the most active social seasons in the history of the Seventh.

### CATHOLIC CLUB BRIDGE.

A bridge party for the benefit of the Catholic Young Women's Club will be held on the afternoon of December 8 at the clubhouse, 441 Lexington avenue. Tables at \$10 and single seats at \$1.50 each may be obtained from Mrs. De Lancy Aster Kane at the club.

## Weddings Vie With Debutante Affairs in Social Interest

Many Nuptials of Importance Are Set for Month of December.

ALTHOUGH December is usually given over to entertainments for debutantes, next month will not be without its weddings, however, for several have already been arranged for the early days and dates for others are sure to be announced later.

Miss Katharine Biggs, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Hermann M. Biggs, of 29 West Fifty-sixth street, has just completed plans for her marriage to Mr. Hoesle McKinley of Albany, N. Y. It will take place on Saturday afternoon, December 9, in the Brick Presbyterian Church. The ceremony will be at 4 o'clock, and will be followed by a reception at the Colony Club. Miss Biggs, who is a graduate of Miss Spence's School and of Vassar College and a member of the Junior League, will have Miss Mary Martin of Grand Rapids, Mich., for her maid of honor. Mrs. Morris Hadley of this city will be her matron of honor, and the bride's other attendants will be Miss Mary Wallace of Washington, D. C., daughter of the Secretary of Agriculture; Miss Susan Fensenden of Boston; Miss Margaret Ryle of Toronto; Miss Helen Reid of New York and Norfolk, Va., and Miss Dorothy Dunn, Miss Martha Keop and Miss Carolyn Averbek of this city.

Mr. McKinley will have his brother, Mr. Edward Lawrence McKinley of Albany, for his best man. His ushers will include the Messrs. James E. Adams, Richard Douglas and John De Witt Peltz, all of Albany; Morris Hadley, James F. Nagle, Pascal Harrower, Howard Monroff and Edward Hunt of New York, and Frederick C. Kinsey of New Haven, a brother-in-law of the bridegroom.

The night preceding the wedding Dr. and Mrs. Biggs will give a dinner at the Colony Club for members of the bridal party.

Miss Carolyn Hyde, daughter of Mr. Francis De La Haye Hyde, will be another bride of December 9. She will be married to Mr. William H. Woodin, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Woodin of 152 Park avenue and East Hampton, L. I., at the home of her mother in Plainfield, N. J. Miss Hyde, who was graduated from the Masters School at Dobbs Ferry, was a debutante of last season. Mr. Woodin attended the Brooklyn School in this city and later the Taft School in Connecticut. He is engaged in electrical research. The engagement of his sister, Miss Elizabeth Foster Woodin, to Mr. William Wallace Howe of Cincinnati, was announced last spring.

Miss Sara Morrison Cunningham, daughter of Mr. James Cunningham of New York and San Francisco, will be married to Mr. Cornelius Van Hemert Engert on December 16 in St. Luke's Church, San Francisco. Miss Cunningham, who has been at the Hotel Chatham, this city, left on Thursday for the Pacific coast to prepare for her wedding. She has chosen her sisters, Mrs. Murray Sargent and Miss Elizabeth Cunningham, for her matron and maid of honor. Miss Cunningham, who is a cousin of Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, did war work in France with the American Red Cross in Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt's division.

Mr. Enert is assistant chief of the New Eastern division of the Department of State. He was graduated from Harvard in 1908, specialized in history and was Le Conte Memorial Fellow at Harvard in 1911-12. He had a wide consular and diplomatic experience in Turkey and the East during the world war. He was appointed to his present position at Washington last April.

Miss Mary Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lewis of 112 East Seventy-third street, will be married to Mr. Russell Hopkinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hopkinson, of Park Avenue, on Saturday afternoon in St. Thomas's Church. The ceremony, at 4 o'clock, will be performed by the Rev. Dr. William W. Bellinger, vicar of St. Agnes's Chapel, London, by the rector, the Rev. Dr. Ernest M. Stires. It will be followed by a reception at the Hotel Plaza. Miss Anna Lewis, sister of the bride, and Miss Marion Hopkinson, sister of the groom, will be the maids of honor. The other attendants will be the Misses Edith Shearn, Evelyn Sutphen, Lydia Comstock, Katherine Thomas, Jean Whitting and Mrs. Adrian Smith.

Mr. John Hopkinson will be his brother's best man. The ushers will be the Messrs. Lewis. The bride will be the bride, E. Ritaena Ferry, David H. McAlpin, Ed. E. Lewis, Ed. Correllus Trowbridge, George Comstock, Edgar Hackney and Luke Hopkins. Mr. Hopkinson served in the army during the war. His father is counsel and vice-president for the United States Rubber Company.

The marriage of Miss Mary Hurd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Hurd, to Mr. George Franklin Lawrence, Jr., was planned to take place on Saturday afternoon in St. George's Church, Stuyvesant square. The ceremony will be performed by the rector, the Rev. Karl Reiland, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Endicott Peabody of Groton, L. I. of this city. Mr. Lawrence, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George Franklin Lawrence of 142 East Fortieth street, will have his brother, Mr. John T. Lawrence, for his best man. His ushers will be the Messrs. F. Truhee Davison, Elgin R. L. Gould, Reginald Coombe, Archibald G. McIlwaine, Jr., Arthur Crunden, Lester Armon, Mr. John T. Lawrence, Arthur Terry, Curtis Smith, Wilmarth Lewis and Frederick Beach.

On Tuesday afternoon, in the Church of the Resurrection, Miss Sarah Elizabeth Larkin, only daughter of Mr. and